

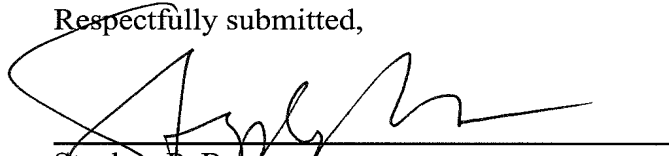
## REMARKS

Claims 17-34 are pending herein. Claims 1-16 have been cancelled in favor of new claims 17-34. No new matter has been added. Applicants believe the case is now in condition for examination.

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, he is herein requested to call Applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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